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**ECS 20: Discrete Mathematics**  
**Midterm**  
**November 14, 2016**

*Notes:*

- 1) Midterm is open book, open notes. No computers though...
- 2) You have 40 minutes, no more: We will strictly enforce this.
- 3) You can answer directly on these sheets (preferred), or on loose paper.
- 4) Please write your name at the top right of at least the first page that you turn in!
- 5) Please, check your work!

**Part I: sets (1 question, 10 points)**

- 1) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two sets in a domain  $D$ . Show that  $\overline{(A \cap \overline{B}) \cup (B \cap \overline{A})} = (\overline{A} \cap \overline{B}) \cup (B \cap A)$

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**Part II: functions (3 questions; each 10 points; total 30 points)**

1) Let  $x$  be a *real number*. Solve  $\lfloor 3x - 2 \rfloor = x$ .

2) Let  $x$  be a *real number*. Show that  $\left\lfloor \frac{x}{2} \right\rfloor + \left\lfloor \frac{x+1}{2} \right\rfloor = \lfloor x \rfloor$

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**Part III: Number theory (2 questions; each 10 points; total 20 points)**

1) Let  $a, b, c$  be three natural numbers. Show that if  $b/a$  and  $c/a$  and  $\gcd(b,c) = 1$  then  $(bc) / a$ .

2) Show that there are no integer solutions to the equation  $x^2 - 3y^2 = -1$

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3) Show that 13 divides  $3^{126} + 5^{126}$ .

**Part IV: extra credit (5 points)**

Let  $x$  be a real number. Find all positive non-zero solutions of  $x[x] = x^2 - [x]^2$  where  $[x]$  is the floor function.